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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
K. Park et al. :  
Serial No: 09/811,248 : Art Unit: 1711  
Filed: March 16, 2001 : Examiner: J. Cooney  
For: SUPER-ABSORBENT : Confirmation No: 8278  
HYDROGEL FOAMS :

**PETITION TO SUSPEND ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.103(a)**

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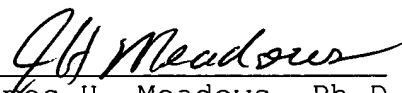
Applicants hereby petition to suspend action for cause in the above-identified application for a second term, up to 6 months. A check in payment of the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) is forwarded herewith. A first suspension for 6 months was granted in a Communication dated January 8, 2004.

Applicants request the aforementioned suspension in order to reissue the patent issuing from the parent application of the instant divisional application, i.e., U.S. Patent No. 6,271,278. Reissue is desired in order to correct an unintended failure to make reference to a prior co-pending application, i.e., the application culminating in U.S. Patent No. 5,750,585.

Applicants have been urged by Examiner Bill Krynski (Special Programs) to keep the Office advised of progress in the reissue of U.S. 6,271,278, so that action in the instant application is not unnecessarily delayed. To that end, *Applicants wish to call to the Examiner's attention the fact that Notice of the reissue application was published in the Official Gazette on June 22, 2004.* Accordingly, the reissue application is expected to be made "special" on August 22, 2004, and should be taken up shortly thereafter. See MPEP 1441.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conversation could expedite prosecution, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,


  
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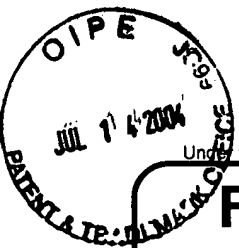
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1001	2001	770	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	2002	340	170	Design filing fee	
1003	2003	530	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	2004	770	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	2005	160	80	Provisional filing fee	
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#### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent	-20** =	X	
Multiple Dependent	-3** =	X	

<u>Large Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Fee Description</u>
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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#### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051	2051	130	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	2052	50	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	1053	130	130	Non-English specification	
1812	1812	2,520	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	1804	920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1805	1,840*	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	2251	110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	2252	420	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	2253	950	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	2254	1,480	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2255	2,010	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	2401	330	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	2402	330	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	2403	290	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1451	1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	2452	110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	2453	1,330	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	2501	1,330	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	2502	480	240	Design issue fee	
1503	2503	640	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	1460	130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	130
1807	1807	50	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	1806	180	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	8021	40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	2809	770	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	2810	770	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	2801	770	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	1802	900	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ ) 130

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